

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** September 4, 2018

**TO:** Michigan Educational Grant System *Plus* (MEGS+) Authorized Officials

Agencies Eligible for Section 41 Bilingual Grant

**FROM:** Dr. Paula Y. Daniels, Director 6

Office of Educational Supports

**SUBJECT:** State Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant Information

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) is pleased to inform you the State Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant is available in MEGS+.

Eligible students must be English Learners who have been assessed using the WIDA ACCESS 2.0 for English Language Learners with a composite score of 2.9 or lower.

For each eligible student identified, the proposed amount per student is \$620 (1.9 or less) or \$410 (2.0-2.9) per student. (If the number of students to be funded exceeds the funds allocated by the legislature, MDE will prorate the allocation on an equal percentage basis as intended by the legislation.) The count of students, found on the "Student Counts" page of the application, will be provided by the Office of Assessment and Accountability based on the scores earned in the most recent WIDA ACCESS or WIDA ALT ACCESS test window (Spring 2018).

After MDE releases the preliminary allocations, LEAs can submit a plan description and estimated budget for the 2018-19 Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant application in MEGS+. The preliminary grant application is due no later Friday, September 21, 2018 to allow calculation of the final allocation by October 1, 2018. If your agency has determined it will not accept the funding provided by this grant program and does not submitted the application by September 21, 2018, they will not be considered for funding. Funds not requested will be redistributed during the final allocation calculation.

A Section 41 Bilingual Grant Report is required each program year, this report is due to MDE no later than July 15. Failure to submit this report will result in loss of funds

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to the LEA in the subsequent program year.

Please direct questions regarding the Section 41 Bilingual Education Grant to Kelly Alvarez, Title III Consultant, Office of Education Supports at 517-241-5392 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:Alvarezk@michigan.gov">Alvarezk@michigan.gov</a> or Michelle Williams, Acting Manager, Special Populations Unit, at <a href="williamsm48@michigan.gov">williamsm48@michigan.gov</a> or by phone at 517-241-6977.

Questions regarding the MEGS+ application may be directed to Tammy Franks, Departmental Analyst, at <a href="mailto:FranksT1@michigan.gov">FranksT1@michigan.gov</a> or by phone at 517-335-0352.